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RECOGNITION OF THE FRENCH REPUBLIC.

As soon as I learned that a Republic had been proclaimed at Paris, and that the people of France had acquiesced in the change, the Minister of the United States was directed by telegraph to recognize it, and to tender my congratulations and those of the people of the United States. The re-establishment in France, of a system of a government disconnected with the dynastic traditions of Europe appeared to be a proper subject for the felicitations of Americans. Should the present struggle result in attaching the hearts of the French to our simpler forms of representative government, it will be a subject of still further satisfaction to our people. While we make no effort to impose our institutions upon the inhabitants of other countries, and while we adhere to our traditional neutrality in civil contests elsewhere, we can not be indifferent to the spread of American political ideas in a great and highly civilized country like France.

THE NON-INTERVENTION POLICY.

We were asked by the new Government to use our good offices jointly with those of European Powers, in the interest of peace. Answer was made that the established policy and the true interests of the United States forbade them to interfere in European questions jointly with European Powers. I ascertained informally and unofficially that the government of North Germany was not then disposed to listen to such representations from any Powers; and though earnestly wishing to see the blessings of peace restored to the belligerents, with all of whom the United States are on terms of friendship, I declined on the part of this Government to take a step which could only result in injury to our true interests without advancing the object for which our intervention was invoked Should the time come when the action of the United States can hasten the return of peace, by a single hour, that action will be heartily taken. I deemed it prudent, in view of the number of persons of German and French birth living in the United States, to issue, soon after official notice of a state of war had been received from both belligerents, a proclamation defining the duties of the United States as a neutral, and the obligations of persons residing within their territory to observe their laws and the laws of nations. This proclamation was followed by others as circumstances seemed to call for them. The people, thus acquainted in advance of their duties and obligations, have assisted in preventing violations of the neutrality of the United States.

THE CUBAN WAR.

It is not understood that the condition of the insurrection of Cuba has materially changed since the close of the last session of Congress. In an early stage of the contest the authorities of Spain inaugurated a system of arbitrary arrests, of close confinement and of military trial and execution of persons suspected of complicity with the insurgents, and of summary embargo of their properties, and sequestration of their revenues by executive warrant. Such proceedings, so far as they affected the persons or property of citizens of the United States, were in violation of the provisions of the treaty of 1795, between the United States and Spain. Representaitons of injuries resulting to several persons claiming to be citizens of the United States by reason of such violations were made to the Spanish Government. From April, 1869, to June last, the Spanish Ministry at Washington had been clothed with a limited power to aid in redressing such wrongs. That power was found to be withdrawn, 'in view,' as it was said, 'of the favorable situation in which the Island of Cuba then was;' which, however, did not lead to a revocation or suspension of the extraordinary and arbitrary functions exercised by the executive power in Cuba, and we were obliged to make our complaints at Madrid.

THE SPANISH AND AMERICAN CLAIMS COMMISSION.

In negotiations thus opened and still pending there, the United States only claimed that, for the future, the rights secured to their citzens by treaty should be respected by Cuba, and that as to the past, a joint tribunal should be established in the United States with full jurisdiction over all such claims. Before such an impartial tribunal each claimant would be required to prove his case. On the other hand Spain would be a liberty to traverse every material fact, andt thus complete equity would be done. A case which at one time threatened seriously to affect the relations between the United Sates and Spain has already been disposed of in this way. The claim of the owners of the Colonel Lloyd Aspinwall for the illegal seizure and detention of that vessel was referred to arbitration, by mutual consent, and has resulted in an award to the United States, for the owners, of the sum of $19,702 50 in gold. Another and long-pending claim of like nature, that of the whale-ship Canada, has been disposed of by friendly arbitrament during the present year. It was referred, by the joint consent of Brazil and the United States, to the decision of Sir Edward Thornton, her Britannic Majesty's Minister at Washington, who kindly undertook the laborious task of examining the voluminous mass of correspondence and testimony submitted by the two governments, and awarded the United States the sum of $100 740 09 in gold, which has been paid by the Imperial Government.

These recent examples show that the mode which the United States have proposed to Spain for adjusting the pending claims is just and feasible, and that it may be agreed to by either nation without dishonor. It is to be hoped that this moderate demand may be aceded to by Spain without further delay. Should the pending negotiations, unfortunately and unexpectedly, be without result, it will then become my duty to communicate that fact to Congress and invite its action on the subject.

SOUTH AMERICAN PEACE CONFERENCE.

The long-deferred peace conference between Spain and the allied South American Republics has been inaugurated in Washington, under the auspices of the United States. Pursuant to the recommendation contained in the resolutions of the House of Representatives of the 17th of December, 1866, the Executive department of the Government offered its friendly offices for the promotion of peace and harmony between Spain and the allied republics. Hesitations and obstacles occurred to the acceptance of the offer. Ultimately, however, a conference was arranged, and was opened in this city on the 29th of October last, at which I authorized the Secretary of State to preside. It was attended by the Ministers of Spain, Peru, Chili and Ecuador. In consequence of the absence of a representative from Bolivia, the conference was adjourned until a plenipotentiary from that republic could be secured, or other measures could be adopted toward compassing the objects.

The allied and other Republics of Spanish origin on this continent may see in this fact a new proof of our sincere interest in their welfare; of our desire to see them blessed with good governments, capable of maintaining order, and of preserving their respective territorial integrity; and of our sincere wish to extend our own commercial and social relations with them. The time is not probably far distant when, in the natural course of events, the European political connection with this continent will cease. Our policy should be shaped, in view of this probability, so as to ally the commercial interests of the Spanish American States more closely to our own, and thus give the United States all the pre eminence and all the advantage which Mr. Monroe, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Clay contemplated when they proposed to join in the Congress of Panama.

SAN DOMINGO TREATY.

During the last session of Congress a treaty for the annexation of the Republic of San Domingo to the United States failed to receive the requisite two-thirds vote of the Senate. I was thoroughly convinced then that the best interests of this country, commercially and materially, demanded its ratication. Time has only confirmed me in this view. I now firmly believe that the moment that it is known that the United States have entirely abandoned the project of accepting as a part of its territory the Island of San Domingo, a free port will be negotiated for, by European nations, in the Bay of Samana. A large commercial city will spring up, to which we will be tributary without receiving corresponding benefits, and then will be seen the folly of our rejecting so great a prize.—The Government of San Domingo has voluntarily sought this annexation. It is a weak Power, numbering probably less than one hundred and twenty thousand souls, and yet possessing one of the richest territories under the sun, capable of supporting a population of ten millions of people in luxury. The people of San Domingo are not capable of maintaining themselves in their present condition, and must look for outside support. They yearn for the protection of our free institutions and laws, our progress and civilization. Shall we refuse them?

The acquisition of San Domingo is desirable because of its geographical position. It commands the entrance to the Caribbean Sea and the Isthmus transit of commerce. It possesses the richest soil, best and most capacious harbors, most salubrious climate, and the most valuable products of the forest, mine and soil, of any of the West India Islands. Its possession by us will in a few years build up a coastwise commerce of immense magnitude, which will go far toward restoring to us our lost merchant marine. It will give to us those articles which we consume so largely and do not produce, thus equalizing our exports and imports. In case of foreign war, it will give us command of all the islands referred to, and prevent an enemy from ever again possessing himself of rendezvous upon our vast coast. At present our coast trade between the States bordering on the Atlantic and those bordering on the Gulf of Mexico is cut in by two of the Bahamas and the Antilles Twice we must, as it were, pass through foreign country to get by sea from Georgia to the west coast of Florida.

San Domingo, with a stable Government under which her immense resources can be developed, will give remunerative wages to tens of thousands of laborers, not now upon the island. This labor will take advantage of every available means of transportation to abandon the adjacent islands and seek the blessings of freedom and its consequence—each inhabitant receiving the reward of his own labor. Porto Rico and Cuba will have to abolish slavery as a measure of self persevation, to retain their laborers.

San Domingo will become a large consumer of the products of Northern farms and manufactories. The cheap rate at which her citizens can be furnished with food, tools, and machinery will make it necessary that contiguous islands should have the same advantages in order to compete in the production of sugar, coffee, tobacco, tropical fruits, &c. This will open to us a still wider market for our products. The production of our own supply of these articles will cut off more than one hundred millions of our annual imports, besides largely increasing our exports. With such a picture, it is easy to see how our large debt abroad is ultimately to be extinguished With a balance of trade against us (including interest on bonds held by foreigners, and money spent by our citizens traveling in foreign lands) equal to the entire yield of the precious metals in this country, it is not so easy to see how this result is to be otherwise accomplished. The acquisition of San Domingo is an adherence to the 'Monroe doctrine;' it is a measure of national protection; it is asserting our just claim to a controlling influence over the great commercial traffic soon to flow from west to east, by way of the Isthmus of Darien; it is to build up our merchant marine; it is to furnish new markets for the products of our farms, shops, and manufactories; it is to make slavery insupportable in Cuba and Porto Rico at once, and ultimately so in Brazil; it is to settle the unhappy condition of Cuba, and end an exterminating conflict; it is to provide honest means of paying our honest debts without overtaxing the people; it is to furnish our citizens with the necessaries of every day life at cheaper rates than ever before; and it is, in fine, a rapid stride toward that greatnss which the intelligence iudustry, and enterprising of the citizens of the United Stateo entitle this country to assume among nations.

In view of the importance of this question, I earnestly urge upon Congress early action, expressive of its views as to the best means of acquiring San Domingo. My suggestion that by joint resolution of the two Houses of Congress, the Executive be authorized to appoint a commission to negotiate a treaty with the authorities of San Domingo for the aquisition of that island, and that an appropriation be made to defray the expenses of such commission The question

1818 between the Great Britian and United States it was agreed that the inhabitants of the United States should have forever in common with British subjects the right of taking fish in certain waters therein defined. In the waters not included in the limits named in the convention (within three miles of parts of the British coast) it has been the custom for may years to give to intruding fishermen of the United States a reasonable warning of their violation of the technical rights of G. Britian. The Imperial Government is understood to have delegated the whole, or a share of the control of these in-shore fishing grounds, to the colonial authorities, known as the Dominion of Canada, and this semi-independent, but irresponsible, agent has exercised it in an unfriendly way. Vessels have been seized, without notice or warning, in violation of the custom previously prevailing and have been taken into the colonial ports, their voyage broken up, and the vessels condemned. There is reason to believe that this unfriendly and vexatious treatment was designed to bear harshly upon the hardy fishermen of the United States, with a view to political effect upon this Government. The statutes of the Dominion of Canada assume a still broader and more untenable jurisdiction over the vessels of the United States. They authorize officers or persons to bring vessels, hovering within three marine miles of any of the coasts, bays, creeks, or harbors of Canada, into port, to search the cargo, to examine the master, on oath, touching the cargo and voyage, and to inflict upon him a heavy pecuniary penalty if true answers are not given; and if such a vessel is found 'preparing to fish,' within three marine miles of any of such coasts, bays, creeks, or harbors, without a license, or after the expiration of the period named in the last license granted to it, they provide that the vessel, with her tackle, &c. &c.,' shall be forfeited. It is not known that any condemnations have been made under this statute. Should the authorities of Canada attempt to enforce it, it will become my duty to take such action as may be necessary to protect the rights of the citizens of the United States.

It has been claimed by her Majesty's officers that the fishing vessels of the United States have no right to enter the open ports of the British possessions in North America, except for the purpose of shelter and repairing damages, of purchasing wood, and obtaining water; that they have no right to enter at the British custom-house, or to trade there except in the purchase of wood and water, and that they must depart within twenty four hours after notice to leave. It is not known that any seizure of a fishing vessel carrying the flag of the United States has been made under this claim So far as the claim is founded on an alleged construction of the convention of 1818 it cannot be acquiesced in by the United States. It is hoped that it will not be insisted on by her Majesty's Government.

During the conferences which preceded the negotiation of the convention of 1818 the British commissioners proposed to expressly exclude the fishermen of the United States from 'the privilege of carrying on trade with any of her Britannic Majesty's subjects residing within the limits assigned for their use' and also that it should not be 'lawful for the vessels of the United States engaged in said fishery to have on board any goods, wares, or merchandise whatever, except such as may be necessary for the prosecution of the voyages to and from the said fishing grounds. And any vessel of the United States which shall contravene this regulation may be seized, condemned, and confiscated, with her cargo'

This proposition, which is identical with the construction now put upon the language of the Convention, was emphatically rejected by the American Commissioners, and thereupon was abadoned by the British plenipotentiaries, and Article 1, as it stands in the Convention, was substituted.

If, however, it be said that this claim is founded on provincial or colonial statutes and not upon the Convention. this Government can not but regard them as unfriendly and in contravention of the spirit, if not of the letter of the treaty, for the faithful execution of which the imperial Government is alone responsible.

Anticipating that an attempt may possibly be made by the Canadian authorities in the coming season to repeat their unneighborly acts toward our fishermen, I recommend you to confer upon the Executive the power to suspend by proclamation the operation of the laws authorizing the transit of goods, wares, and merchandise in bond, across the territory of the United States to Canada; and further, should such an extreme measure become necessary, to suspend the operation of any laws whereby the vessels of the Dominion of Canada are permitted to enter the waters of the United States.

NAVIGATION OF THE ST. LAWRENCE.

A like unfriendly disposition has been manifested on the part ar Canada in the maintenance of a claim of right to exclude the citizens of the United States from the navigation of the St. Lawrence. This river constitutes a natural outlet to the ocean for eight States, with an aggregate population of about 17,600,000 inhabitants and with an aggregate tonage of 661 367 tons upon the waters which discharge into it. The foreign commerce of our ports on these waters is open to British competition, and the major part of it is done in British bottoms.

If the American seamen be excluded from this natural avenue to the ocean, the monopoly of the direct commerce of the Lake parts with the Atlantic would be in foreign hands, their vessels on transatlantic voyages having an access to our lake posts, which would be denied to American vessels on similar voyages. To state such a proposition is to refute its justice.

During the administratton of John Q. Adams Mr. Clay unanswerably demonstrated the natural right of the citizens of the United States to the navigation of this river, claiming that the act of the Congress of Vienna, in opening the Rhine and other rivers to all nations, showed the judgment of European jurists and statesmen, that the inhabitants of a country, through which a navigable river passes, have a natural right to enjoy the navigation of that river to and in into the sea, even through passing through the territories of another Power. This right does not exclude the coequal right of the sovereign possessing the territory through which the river debouches into the sea, to make such regulations relative to the police of the navigation as may be reasonably necessary; but those regulations should be framed in a liberal spirit of comity, and should not impose needless burdens upon the commerce which has the right of transit. It has been found, in practice, more advantageous to arrange these regulations by mutual agreement. The United States are ready to make any reasonable arrangement as to the police of the St. Lawrence which may be suggested by Great Britain.

If the claim made by Mr. Clay was just when the population of the States bordering on the shores of the lakes was only 3,400,000, it now derives greater force and equity from the increased population, wealth, production, and tonnage of the States on the Canadian frontier Since Mr. Clay advanced his argument in behalf of our right, the principle for which he contended has been frequently, and by various nations, recognized by a law or by treaty, and has been extended to several other great rivers. By the treaty concluded at Mayence, in 1831, the Rhine was declared free from the point where it is first navigable into the sea By the convention between Spain and Portugal, concluded in 1835, the navigation of the Douro, throughout its whole extent, was made free for the subjects of both Crowns. In 1853 the Argentine Confederation, by treaty, threw open the free navigation of the Panama and the Uruguay to the merchant vessels of all nations. In 1855 the Crimean was closed by a treaty by which provided for the free navigation of the Danube. In 1858 Bolivia, treaty, declared that it regarded the rivers Amazon and La Plata, in accordance with fixed principles of national law, as highways or channels, opened by nature, for the commerce of all nations. In 1850 the Paraguay was made free by treaty, and in December, 1866, the Emperor of Brazil, by imperial decree, declared the Amazon to be open to the frontier of Brazil to the merchant ships of all nations. The greatest living British authority on this subject, while asserting the abstract right of the British claim, says: 'It seems difficult to deny that Great Britain may ground her refusal upon strict *law*, but it is equally difficult to deny, first, that in so doing she exercises harshly an extreme and hard law; secondly, that her conduct with respect to the navigation of St. Lawrence is in glaring and discreditable inconsistency with her conduct with respect to the navigation of the Mississippi. On the ground that she possessed a small domain, in which the Mississippi took its rise, she insisted on the right to navigate the entire volume of its waters. On the ground that she possessed both banks of the St. Lawrence, where it disembogues itself into the sea, she denies to the United States the right of navigation, though about one half of the waters of Lake Ontario, Erie, Huron, and Superior, and the whole of Lake Michigan, through which the rivers flow, are the property of the United States.

The whole nation is interested in securing cheap transportation from the agricultural States of the West to the Atlantic seaboard. To the citizens of those States it secures a greater return for their labor; to the inhabitants of the seaboard it affords cheaper food; to the nation an increase in the annual surplus of wealth. It is hoped that the Government of Great Britain will see the justice of abandoning the narrow and inconsistent claim to which the Canadian provinces have urged her adherence.

OUR COMMERCE.

Our depressed commerce is a subject to which I called your special attention at the last session, and suggested that we will in the future have to look more to the countries south of us, and to China and Japan, for its revival. Our representatives to all these Governments have exerted their influence to encourage trade between the United States and the countries to which they are accredited. But the fact exists that the carrying is done almost entirely in foreign bottoms, and while this state of affairs exists we can not control our due share of the commerce of the world. That between the Pacific States and China and Japan is about all the carrying trade now conducted in American vessels. I would recommend a liberal policy toward that line of American steamers, one that will insure its success and even increased usefulness.

The cost of building iron vessels, the only ones that can compete with foreign ships in the carrying trade, is so much greater in the United States than in foreign countries that, without some assistance from the Government, they can not be successfully built here. There will be several propositions laid before Congress, in the course of the present session, looking to a remedy for this evil. Even if it should be at some cost to the national Treasury, I hope such encouragement will be given as well secure American shipping on the high seas and American shipbuilding at home.

NECESSITY FOR A NEW BUILDING FOR THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

The condition of the archives at the Department of State calls for the early action of Congress. The building now rented by the Department is a frail structure, at an inconvenient distance from the Executive Mansion, and from the other Departments, is ill adapted to the purpose for which it is used: has not capacity to accomodate the archives, and is not fire-proof. Its remote situation, its slender construction, and the absence of a supply of water in the neighborhood, leave but little hope of safety for either the building or its contents in case of the accident of a fire. Its destruction would involve the loss of the rolls containing the original acts and resolutions of Congress, of the historic records of the Revolution and of the confederation, of the whole series of diplomatic and consular archives since the adoption of the adoption of the Constitution, and of many other valuble records and papers left with that department when it was the principal depository of the governmental archives. I recommend an appropriation for the the construction of a building for the Department of the State.

ESTIMATES FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

The estimates for the expenses of the Government for the next fiscal year are $18,244,846,01 less than for the current one, but exceed the appropiations for the present year for the same items $8,972 127 56. In this estimate, however, is included $22,338,278 37 for public works heretofore begun under Conggressional provision, and of which only so much is asked as Congress may choose to give. The appropiations for the same works for the present fiscal year was $11,981,518 08.

SPECIES PAYMENTS.

The average value of gold, as compared with national currency for the whole of the year 1869 was about 134, and for eleven months of 1870 the same relative value has been about 115. The approach to a specie basis is very gratifying, but the fact can not be denied that the instability of the value of our currency is prejudicial to our prosperity and tends to keep up prices to the detriment of trade. The evils of a depreciated and fluctuating currency are so great, that now, when the premium on gold has fallen so much, it would seem that the time has arrived when, by wise and prudent legislation, Congress should look to a policy which would place our currency at par with gold at no distant day.

REDUCTION OF TAXATION.

The tax collected from the people has been reduced more than $80,000,000 per annum. By steadiness in our present course, there is no reason why, in a few short years, the national tax-gathers may not disappear from the door of the citizen almost entirely. With the revenue stamp dispensed by post-masters in every community, a tax upon liquors of all sorts and tobacco in all its forms, and by a wise adjustment of the tariff, which will put a duty only on those articles which we could dispense with, known as luxuries, and on those which we use more of than we produce, revenue enough may be raised, after a few years of peace and consequent reduction of indebtedness, fulfil all our obligations.

REVENUE REFORM.

A further reduction of expenses, in addition to a reduction of interest account, may be relied on to make this practicable. Revenue reform, if it means this, has my hearty support. If it implies collection of all the revenue for the suport of the Government, for the payment of principal and interest of the public debt, pensions, &c., by directly taxing the people, then I am against revenue reform, and confidently believe the people are with me.

If it means failure to provide the necessary means to defray the expenses of Government, and thereby repudiation of the public debt and pensions, then I am still more opposed to such kind of revenue reform. Revenue reform has not been defined by any of its advocates to my knowledge, but seems to be accepted as something which is to supply every man's want without costs or effort on his part.

A true revenue reform cannot be made in a day, but must be the work of national legislation and of time. As soon as the revenue can be dispensed with, all duty should be removed from coffee, tea, and other articles of universal use not produced by ourselves. The necessities of the country compel us to collect revenue from our imports. An army of assessors and collectors is not a sight to the citizen, but that or a tariff for revenue is necessary. Such a tariff so far as it acts as an encouragement to home production, affords employment to labor at living wages, in contrast to the pauper labor of the Old World, and also the development of home resources.

INDIAN AFFAIRS.

Reform in the management of Indian affairs has received the special attention of the Administration from its inauguration to the present day. The experiment of making it a missionary work was tried with a few agencies, given to the denomination of Friends, and has been found to work most advantageously. All agencies and superintendencies not so disposed of, were given to officers of the army. The act of Congress reducing the army renders army officers ineligible for civil positions. Indian agencies being civil offices I determined to give all the agencies to such religious denominations as had heretofore established missionaries among the Indians, and perhaps to some other denominations who would undertake the work on the same terms, that is, as a missionary work.—The societies selected are allowed to name their own agents, subject to the approval of the Executive, and are expected to watch over them as missionaries, to christianize and civilize the Indian, and to train him in the arts of peace. The Government watches over the official acts of these agents, and requires of them as strict an accountability as if they were appointed in any other manner. I entertain the confident hope that the policy now pursued will, in a few years, bring all the Indians upon reservations, where they will live in houses, have school-houses and churches, and will be pursuing peaceful and self-sustaining avocations, and where they may be visited by the law abiding white man with the same impunity that he now visits the civalized white settlements. I call your special attention to the report of the Commissioner of Indian Affairs for full information on this subject.

THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

During the last fiscal year 8,095 413 acres of public land were disposed of. Of this quantity, 3,698,910.05 acres were taken under the homestead law, and 2,159 515 81 acres sold for cash. The remainder was located with military warrants, college and military scrip, or applied in satisfaction of grants to railroads, or for other public uses. The entries under the homestead law, during the last year, covered 961 545 acres more than those during the preceding year. Surveys have been vigorously prosecuted to the full extent of the means applicable to the purpose. The quantity of land in market will amply supply the present demand. The claim of the settler, under the homestead or pre-emption laws, is not, however, limited to lands subject to sale at private entry.—Any unappropriated surveyed public land may, to a limited amount, be acquired under the former laws, if the party entitled to enter under them will comply with the requirements they prescribe in regards to the residence and cultivation. The actual settler's preference right of purchase is even broader, and extends to lands which were unsurveyed at the time of his settlement. His right was formerly confined within much narrower limits, and at one period of our history was conferred only by special statutes They were enacted from time to time to legalize what was then regarded as an unauthorized intrusion upon the national domain.—The opinion that the public lands should be regarded chiefly as a source of revenue is no longer maintained. The rapid settlement and successful cultivation of them is now justly considered of more importance to our well-being than is the fund which the sale of them would produce. The remarkable growth and prosperity of our new States and Territories attest the wisdom of the legislation which invites the tiller of the soil to secure a permanent home on terms within the reach of all. The pioneer, who incurs the dangers and privations of a frontier life, and thus aids in laying the foundation of new commonwealths, renders a signal service to his country and is entitled to its special favor and protection. These laws secure that object, and largely promote the general welfare.—They should, therefore, be cherished as a permanent feature of our land system.

Good faith requires us to give full effect to existing grants The time-honored and beneficent policy of setting apart certain sections of public land for educational purposes in the new States should be continued.—When ample provision shall have been made for these objects, I submit, as a question worthy of serious consideration whether the residue of our national domain should not be wholy disposed of under the provisions of the homestead and pre-emption laws.

In addition to the swamp and overflowed lands granted to the State in which they are situated, the lands taken under the agricultural college acts, and for internal improvement purposes, under the act of September, 1841, and the acts supplemental thereto, there had been conveyed, up to the close of the last fiscal year, by patent or other equivalent evidence of title, to States and corporations, twenty seven million eight hundred and thirty-six thousand two hundred and fifty-seven and sixty-three hundredth acres, for railways, canals, and wagon roads. It is estimated that an additional quantity of 174,785 523 acres is still due under grants for like uses. The policy of thus aiding the States in building works of internal improvement was inaugurated more than forty years since in the grants to Indiana and Illinois, to aid those States in opening canals to connect the waters of the Wabash with those of Lake Erie, and the waters of the Illinois with those of Lake Michigan.

RAILROAD SUBSIDIES.

It was followed with some modifications in the grant to Illinois of alternate sections of public land within certain limits of the Illinois Central railway. Fourteen States and sundry corporations, have received similar subsidies in connection with railways completed or in process of construction. As the reserved sections are rated at the double minimum, the sale of them at the enhanced price has thus in many instances, indemnified the Treasury for the granted lands. The construction of some of these thoroughfares has undoubtly given a vigorous impulse to the development of our resources, and the settlement of the more distant portions of the country. It may, however, be well insisted that much of our legislation in this regard has been characterized by indiscriminate and profuse liberality. The United States should not loan their credit in aid of any enterprise and taken by States or corporations, nor grant land in any instance, unless the projected work of acknowledged national importance. I am strongly inclined to the opinion that it is inexpedient and unnecessary to bestow subsidies of either description, but should Congress determine otherwise, I earnestly recommend that the rights of settlers and of the public be more effectually secured and protected by appropriate legislation.

EDUCATION AND AGRICULTURE.

The subject of education and agriculture are of great interest to the success of our republican institutions, happiness, and grandeur as a nation. In the interest of one a bureau has been established in the Interior Department—The Bureau of Education: and in the interest of the other a separate department, that of Agriculture, I believe great general good is to flow from the operations of both these bureaus if properly fostered. I can not commend to your careful consideration too highly the reports of the Commissioners of Education and of Agriculture, urge too strongly such liberal legislation as to secure their efficacy.

POLICY OF THE ADMINISTRATION.

In conclusion, I would sum up the policy of the administration to be a thorongh enforcement of every law; a faithful collection of every tax provided for; economy in the disbursement of the same; a prompt payment of taxes as rapidly as the requirements of the country will admit, reductions of taxation and tariff, to be so arranged as to afford the greater relief to the greatest number; honest and fair dealings with all other peoples, to the end that war, with all its blighting consequences, may be avoided, but without surrendering any right or obligation due to us; a reform in the treatment of Indians and in the whole civil service of the country; and, finally, in securing a pure, untrammeled ballot where every man entitled to cast a vote may do so just once at each election without fear of molestation or proscription on account of his political faith, nativity, or color.

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CONGRESS met on Monday, the 5th inst., and has been principally engaged in parcelling out the President's Message to appropriate committees. In the House, Mr. Milnes, our Representative, asked and obtained leave to introduce a bill for the relief of the disabilities of our worthy townsman, Joseph H. Shue, Esq. The bill was read the second time, and by a suspension of the rules may be put upon its passage whenever it may be deemed prudent to call it up. Mr. Shue was once postmaster here, and hence his disabilities.

THE LEGISLATURE met on Wednesday last. Beyond the announcment of the standing committees and the offering of resolutions, nothing of importance has yet been transacted. Among the resolutions offered, was the following by Mr. Kelly, "That the Committee of Cities, Counties and Towns, be directed to amend the act known as the Road Law, so as to provide that the election of a road overseer in each district of every township shall take place annually at the general May election."

THEY are righting up things at West Point Military Academy.—Several students have been dismissed for violation of rules. An order has been issued from the War Department for the special benefit of the irrepressible colored cadet, which is as follows:

"Cadet J. W. Smith, having been reported for submitting an explanation containing disrespectful reflections on the conduct of the reporting officer on the 28th ultimo, will be confined to the area of the cadet barracks until the 1st day of February next, that he may be the better impressed with the importance of adhering to the regulations of the Military Academy while he is there."

AN election was held in the city of Richmond on Friday last, to fill a vacancy in the House of Delegates occasioned by the election of Mr. Keily to the Mayoralty of the city. Col. Guy, Democrat, was elected over Boyd, Radical, by a majority of from 375 to 500 in the city and county.

THE FISH QUESTION, AGAIN.—We have been requested by several gentlemen who feel an interest in the subject, to say that a meeting will be held next Monday, (court day,) for the purpose of adopting the necessary measures for introducing the bass into our streams. Let us have prompt action, and the thing will be accomplished. For information, call upon Mr. G S. Christie, at his shop in Harrisonburg.

On Monday, in the Senate of Va., Mr. Snowden introduced a resolution instructing the Committee of Courts of Justice to report whether, in their judgment, it be not expedient that the existing constitution be amended in the provision relating to taxation, to the official machinery for the local government of the counties and towns, and other provisions affecting the welfare of the people of Virginia.

GEN. GRANT's policy for annexing San Domingo to the United States does not meet with that response from the leading members of his party, in and out of Congress, which he no doubt expected. Sumner is still hostile to the measure, and declares that the committee on foreign relations, of which he is a member, will not act in accordance with the Presidents's recommendations.

ALABAMA U. S. SENATOR.—The Legislature of Alabama, in joint convention, on the 7th inst., elected Goldthwaite, Democrat, a Senator in Congress for four years from March next. He received 65 votes and his Republican opponent, Werner, 50. Mr. Goldthwaite has been Judge of the Circuit and Supreme Courts, is said to be an able lawyer, and has been a citizen of Montgomery for more than four years.

The contest for the Governorship of Alabama has been terminated by the retirement of the Radical contestant, Smith, from the contest, leaving Lindsay, Democrat, in possession of the office. The Democrats are rejoiced that the contest has been thus ended.

CENSUS OF ROCKBRIDGE.—The returns of the census of Rockbridge county have finally been received, from which we learn that the population of that county is 15,966.—This makes the population of the counties composing the Sixth Congressional District 133,039.

GOV. HOLDEN IMPEACHED.—The following resolution was offered in the House of Representatives of North Carolina, on the 9th inst:

Resolved, That William W. Holden, Governor of North Carolina, be impeached of high crime and misdemeanor in office.

All the proceedings preliminary to a court of impeachment will take place in a short time.

WE are indebted to George Rye, Esq., State Treasurer, for a copy of his report, giving a detailed statement of the finances of the State for the year ending September 30th, 1870. The balance on hand October 1st, $132,012 80. The amount disbursed during the past fiscal year, for all purposes, was $1,504,931 19. The total receipts for the same period were, including amount in Treasury at the end of the previous year, $1,636,843.90.

SOUTH CAROLINA SENATOR.—Robertson, Radical, the present United States Senator, was re-elected on the 7th inst, over his Democratic opponent, Butler, by a large majority of both branches of the Legislature.

GEN. JORDAN was arrested in New York a few days ago, and baild in $10,000 to appear before the U. S. District Court to answer to the charge of having fitted out an expedition of filibusters for Cuba.

THE total population of Virginia, according to the revised statement published, is 1,228,572.

THE nail and iron rolling mill, at Cleveland, Ohis, was burned on the 9th inst. Loss estimated at $100,000.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE
OF
VALUABLE LAND.

BY virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court of Rockingham county, at the October Term, 1869, thereof, in a suit therein pending, wherein Rebecca Fisher is a plaintiff and Margaret Tooma and others are defendats, I shall, on THURSDAY, THE 12TH OF JANUARY, 1871, at 2 o'clock, P. M., proceed to sell, at public auction, on the premises, the

LOT OF LAND,

in the bill and proceedings mentioned, containing 3 ACRES and 4 POLES, situated on the Rockingham Turnpike, about 7 miles from Harrisonburg, adjoining the lands of Jabob Smootz, William Hiden, &c., upon which there is a

LOG HOUSE.

TERMS:—One-third in nine months, and one-third in eighteen months, with interest from the day of sale. A lien will be retained on the property to secure the deferred payments:

C. A. YANCY,
Dec 17 1870—ts Commissioner.

25 KEGS Burden Horse Shoes, just received by J. GASSMAN & BRO.

New Advertisements.

VIRGINIA—At Rules held in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of Rockingham county, on Monday, December 5, 1870;

John E. Roller..... Plaintiff,
vs
Lewis Strayer and Peter S. Boose, partners trading under the name and style of L. Strayer & Boose, Defts
IN CASE.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendants in this cause the sum of $45.65, with legal interest thereon from the 20th day of July, 1868, till paid, and to attach the estate of the said defendants in the hands of George W. Berlin and William F. Dinkel, and to subject it to the payment of his said debt

And affidavit being made that the defendants, Lewis Strayer & P. S. Boose, are non residents of the State of Virginia, is ordered that they do appear here within one month after due publication of this order and answer the plaintiff's action or do what is necessary to protect their interests, and that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Old Commonwealth, a newspaper published in Harrisonburg, Va., and another copy thereof posted at the front door of the Court-House of this county, on the first day of the next term of the County Court of said County. Tests:

G. FRENCH COMPTON, D. C. R. C.
Dec14—4w—G. & R. p. q.

PUBLIC SALE.

I WILL OFFER AT PUBLIC SALE, AT MY residence in Harrisonburg, on German St, ON FRIDAY THE 30TH OF DECEMBER, 1870, all my Household and Kitchen Furniture, consisting in part of the following articles: BEDS & BEDDING, MATTRASSES, new, BUREAUX, WASHSTANDS, LOOKING GLASSES, CARPETING, No. 1 SECRETARY, COOK STOVE, PARLOR DO., Tables, Chairs, Cupboards, Safe, Glass and Queensware, Crockery, Washtubs, a No 1 Singer's Sewing Machine, new; canned Fruit, Pickled Fruit, Apple Butter, Preserved Fruit, 2 Copper Kettles, 1 iron do,—3 to 4,000 feet WALNUT LUMBER, with many other things. Terms made known on day of sale. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock, A. M. [dec14-2t B. E. LONG.

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Public Sale
OF
VALUABLE TOWN LOTS.

BY virtue of a decree rendered by the County Court of Rockingham, at the September term, 1870, thereof, in a Chancery suit therein pending in the name of J. A. Loewenbach &c. vs. Catharine Shughrue, &c., I shall, ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1871, at 2 o'clock, p. m., proceed to sell LOTS No. 5, 8 and 9, of Zirkle's addition to the town of Harrisonburg, or so many thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said decree.

TERMS—One third on the confirmation of the sale, one third in nine months, and one-third in eighteen months from the day of sale.
dec14-ts CHAS. A. YANCEY, Com'r.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE.

IN pursuance of a decree rendered by the County Court of Rockingham county, at the September term, 1870, thereof, in a chancery suit therein pending in the name of F. H. Littell vs. John C. Woodson and others, I shall, ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1871, at 12 o'clock, m., in front of the Court House door of Rockingham county, proceed to sell at public auction the

TRACT OF LAND,

in the bill and proceedings mentioned, being the same tract purchased of David Lucas, Peter Strine, and John Strine, by R. A. Gray and J. C. Woodson, and now in the possession of Harvey Liskey, and known as the STRINE LAND. It adjoins the lands of Mrs. Kitty Amiss's heirs, Augustus Waterman and Harvey Liskey.

TERMS.—Enough in hand to pay the costs of suit and sale, the balance in four equal annual payments, falling due at one, two, three and four years from the day of sale.
dec14-ts CHAS. A. YANCEY, Com'r.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE
OF VALUABLE
MILL SEAT AND LAND.

BY virtue of a decree of the County Court of Rockingham county, rendered at the October term, 1870, thereof, in a chancery suit therein pending in the name of Wm. C. Harrison vs Joseph H. Kite, I will on SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1870, at 1 o'clock, P. M., proceed, on the premises, to sell at public auction,

THE TRACT OF LAND

in the bill and proceedings mentioned, situated on the Shenandoah River, at Miller's Bridge, being the same tract purchased by Joseph H. Kite of Henry Miller and wife in 1860.

There is on the land a first-rate WATER-POWER AND MILL SEAT The improvements consist of a good DWELLING and all necessary out-buildings.

TERMS.—Enough in hand to pay the costs of suit and sale, and the residue in four equal annual payments falling due at one, two, three and four years from the day of sale, the purchaser to execute bonds for the deferred payments with good security.
dec14-ts CHAS. A. YANCEY, Com'r.

COMMISSIONER'S SALE

THE undersigned, Commissioner, appointed under a decree of the County Court of Rockingham county, rendered at the June term, 1870, thereof, in a suit therein pending wherein J. J. Bent is plaintiff and J. M. Harlow is defendant, will proceed, ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1870, at 2 o'clock, p. m., on the premises to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, the

TRACT OF LAND

in the bill and proceedings mentioned, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy the said decree. The land is situated about three miles from McGaheysville, adjoining the lands of Capt. Joseph Lean, Adam Leap and A. J Jenson, and contains about 80 ACRES, and in a good state of cultivation. The improvements consist of a GOOD DWELLING, BARN, &c. It is the same land purchased by J. M. Harlow of J. J. Bent.

TERMS—One third in hand on the confirmation of the sale, and the residue in two payments at six and twelve months from the day of sale, with interest, the purchaser to give bond with security, and the title retained as ultimate security.
dec14 ts CHAS. A. YANCEY, Comm'r.

PUBLIC SALE

WITH the intention of settling up my business, I will offer my desirable SMALL FARM for sale at auction to the highest bidder, ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1871. The farm contains about

80 ACRES,

and adjoins the lands of R. A. Gibbons and others. It is easy to cultivate, has running water through the center of the place. Timber abundant and of best quality. Buildings moderate, but may be made a nice home. A well of excellent water in the yard. The farm is located two miles East from McGaheysville, Rockingham county, Va., with Schools, Churches, Mills, and Post office, etc., convenient; located near the line of the Page Valley Railroad. There is an abundance of fruit on the place.

It is my intention to sell the place and any one wishing to purchase a small farm will do well to attend the sale.

TERMS—One third cash, balance in one and two years, with six per cent. interest, and the title retained as ultimate security. The title to the land is good. For further information, address EMANUEL SELLERS,
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PUBLIC SALE
OF A VALUABLE
LITTLE FARM
NEAR BRIDGEWATER.

BY virtue of a decree of the County Court of Rockingham, we will sell at public auction, on the premises, ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1871, the valuable farm of about

100 ACRES,

or more, belonging to the estate of Henry Niswander, dec'd., situated near Bridgewater, in Rockingham county, adjoining the lands of D. N. Kagey's heirs and others.

The land is excellent bottom land, and is tolerably well timbered. The buildings consist of a two-story House, Barn, and all necessary outbuildings, nearly all new, with a well of good water in the yard, and a fine young orchard.

TERMS.—Enough in hand to pay the costs of suit and sale, and the residue in four equal annual payments, bearing interest from day of sale. Bond and personal security required.
JOHN C. WOODSON,
WM. B. COMPTON,
dec14 4w Commissioner.

Commissioner's Notice.

WM. C. HARRISON vs. JOSEPH H. KITE, in Chancery in the County Court of Rockingham county, November Term, 1870.

"IT is adjudged, ordered and decreed, that the Report of P. RICE, Commissioner, be and is hereby recommitted to said Commissioner, P. Rice, who is directed to ascertain and report the amount and priority of liens existing on said tract of land, together with such other matters as any party interested may require. Said Commissioner is directed to give notice of the time and place of taking said account, by publication once a week for four successive weeks in the Old Commonwealth, which publication shall be equivalent to personal service of notice among the parties &c."—Extract from Decree.

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
HARRISONBURG, VA., Dec. 13th, 1870.

To WM. C. HARRISON and all others who may be interested.

YOU are hereby notified that I have fixed on WEDNESDAY, THE 11TH DAY OF JANUARY, 1871, if fair, if not, the next fair day, (Sunday excepted,) at my office in Harrisonburg, to take the accounts required by the decree of Rockingham County Court, rendered on the — day of December, 1870, in a suit in chancery depending in said Court, between Wm. C. Harrison, plaintiff, vs. Joseph H. Kite, at which time and place you are required to attend. Given under my hand, as Commissioner in Chancery of said Court, the day and year first aforesaid.
P. RICE, Comm'r.
dec14 4w

Old Commonwealth.

HARRISONBURG, VA.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 14.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

STONEWALL LITERARY SOCIETY.—Friday evening, December 9th, question for discussion, "Which has the greater influence on the public mind, the Press or the Pulpit?" was opened in the Affirmative by Messrs. Rohr and Conrad, and in the Negative by Messrs. H. V. Strayer and Liggett. After a spirited debate the question was decided in favor of the negative.

Question for Friday evening, December 15th: "Which is the greatest benefit to his country, the Warrior or the Statesman?"—Affirmative, L. Vance Wartmann and Grattan; Negative, Kenn Wartmann and Gatewood.

This Society will hold their first Anniversary Celebration, in the Catholic Church, on Friday evening the 30th of this month.

A DEER IN DAYTON.—On Saturday evening last, the inhabitants of the usually quiet village of Dayton were thrown into a high state of excitement by the appearance of a wild deer in their midst. He came thro' the farm of Mr. Hiram Coffman, back of the town, pursued by dogs. He was driven into the town, thereby causing a general turn out the denizens, old and young, men, women and children, and which were the most excited, the deer or the people, is yet an unsettled question. At last, after the deer had been chased through garden, street and alley, he was caught, butchered and generously divided out. We are indebted to Mr. Samuel Showalter for a nice piece of stake.

REV. DAN'L A. LONG, pastor of Antioch Church, was attacked near his church one night last week by two unknown persons and was severely handled. The matter, we have no doubt, will be investigated, as it should be. We regard the act as an outrage upon personal safety.

JUDGE KENNEY's decision in the late contested election case was handed to us too late for this issue. The Judge decided against the contestants, and declares Wm. McK. Wartmann duly elected Clerk of the County Court.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The January number for 1871, of this excellent monthly is at hand. We regard this New Year's number as an improvement over the last or any former year of its publication. Godey's Lady's Book is one of the most interesting and valuable literary publications of this country.

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HOUSE AND BARN BURNED.—The dwelling house and barn of Mr. James Karicofe, near Sangersville, was entirely consumed by fire on Tuesday afternoon last. The fire originated from the kitchen chimney, and progressed so rapidly that very little furniture was saved from the house. The flames soon communicated to the barn, and in a moment it was enveloped in flames, consuming all his hay, straw, corn fodder, some grain and one horse. Mr. Karicofe's loss is between $4,000 and $5,000.—Staunton Spectator.

GEORGE P. ROWELL & Co. of New York the well known and enterprising advertising agents, have purchased the agency of John Hooper & Co. of the same city, and equally well known and reliable firm, and by the union of the two will have by far the largest and most flourishing advertising establishment in the country; and if it is well managed in the future as in the past it cannot fail to become still more gigantic and successful. Messrs. Rowel & Co. publish the American Newspaper Directory, the most complete volume of the kind ever issued in this or any country, and at their New York office they keep on hand more than five thousand periodicals, which are always open to the free use of their patrons when in New York. Both the retiring partners of the late firm of J. Hooper & Co. are to remain with Geo. P. Rowell & Co. for some months, until their own buisness matters can be adjusted, after which Mr. Wayre contemplates going abroad, and Mr. John Hooper, who has been elected treasurer of the Colwells' Shaw and Willard manufacturing company, of New York, will give his attention to the introduction of the patent tinlined lead pipe, and article of great merit, extensively manufacturing and sold by that company.—*Springfield Repvblican, oct 18th, 1870.*

MILLS AND MILL DAMS.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION.—The subscriber would respectfully say to those who were so unfortunate as to have their Mills and Mill Dams swept away, that he is prepared to impart information for their construction upon a new plan, from eight hundred to a thousand dollars cheaper than the old plan, and at the same time secured from high water. He had devoted many years to the study of this subject—being a practical millwright and a mill owner for many years—his information is the result of personal experience and observation. For a reasonable compensation he will give full directions for building mills and constructing dams according to his plan. He may be consulted at his mill near Timberville, Rockingham county, or addressed by letter at that place. PHILIP STRICKLER.

Oct 19, 1870—2m10pct.

NOTICES.

AN INVITATION TO ALL WHO FEEL AN INTEREST IN RELIGION OR MORALITY.—You are cordially invited to meet me at the Edom School House, on Saturday, December 24th, 1870, at 1 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of considering a plan for building a Church and raising the means to build it with. The Church is to be built at or near Edom, Rockingham county, for the convenience of those who worship there, or who may desire to worship at that place.

Respectfully,

Dec 17. W. J. CHRISMAN.

Fair and Oyster Supper.

The Ladies of the Episcopal Church intend holding a Fair and Oyster Supper, in the Basement of the Church, on Tuesday and Wednesday 20th and 21st of December. The public are respectfully invited.

MARRIED,

On the 23d of November, at Somerset Church, by Rev. L. A. Cutler, Capt. N. W. BOWMAN, of Rockingham, and Miss LAURA A. JONES, of Orange county.

On the 24th of November, by Rev. George Wine, CHRISTIAN C. MILLER and Miss FANNIE F. SNYDER,—all of Rockingham county.

In Bridgewater, on the 1st day of December, 1870, by Rev. J. M. Follansbee, Thos. S. HITE, and Miss ALPHA V. RHODES,—all of Rockingham county.

COMMERCIAL.

FINANCIAL.

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HARRISONBURG MARKET.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY B. E. LONG.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, December 14, 1870.

Flour—Family	$6 00@6 25
" Extra	5 00@5 25
" Super	4 50@4 75
Wheat	1 00@1 10
Rye	$ 60@0 00
Corn	0 50@0 00
Oats	28@ 31
Corn Meal	75@ 00
Bacon, new	00@ 12½
Flaxseed	1 00@0 00
Cloaerseed	6 75@0 00
Timothy Seed	3 25@3 50
Salt, ⅌ sack	3 50@3 75
Hay	10@ 10 00
Pork	8@ 8
Lard	12@10
Butter, (good fresh,)	00@30
Eggs	00@25
Potatoes	50@0 50
Wool, (unwashed)	28@30
" (washed)	38@40

BALTIMORE CATTLE MARKET.

THURSDAY, DEC. 8, 1870.

BEEF CATTLE.—The offerings at the scales during the week amounted to —— head. Prices ranged to-day as follows:

Old Cows and Scalawags	$3 25@3 75
Ordinary Thin Steers, Oxen and Cows	3 50@4 25
Fair Quality Beeves	4 25@5 50
Best Beeves	6 50@7 75

The average price being about $6 00 gross.

SHEEP.—Prices to-day ranged as follows:—Good at 3@4⅞c ⅌ lb. gross. Stock sheep $1 50@2 00 ⅌ head—Lambs $2@3 ⅌ head.

HOGS.—Prices ranged to-day as follows: Good to prime Hogs $9 00@9 25 ⅌ 100 lbs. net.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

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vs

Wm. C. Ayers and Henry Barker, late partners doing business under the firm name of Ayers & Barker, ... Defendants,

IN DEBT.

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Wm. C. Ayers and Henry Barkee, late partners, doing business in the firm name of Ayers & Barker, Def'ts,

IN DEBT.

The object of this suit is to recover against the defendants the sum of $60 06, with interest thereon from the 25th day of March, 1870, till paid,

And it appearing from satisfactory evidence that the defendant, Wm. C. Ayers, is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is therefore ordered that he do appear here within one month after due publication of this orde and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. Copy.—Teste,

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